



U.S. Patent No. 10/799,178  
Response to Restriction Requirement of 02/23/06

**PATENT**  
Attorney Docket No. 31132.237(PC1077.00)  
Customer No. 000046333

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:  
Ferguson et al.

Serial No. 10/799,178

Filed: March 12, 2004

For: Technique and Instrumentation for  
Intervertebral Prosthesis Implantation Using  
Independent Landmarks

§  
§  
§  
§  
§  
§  
§  
§

Attorney Docket No. 31132.237

Customer No. 46333

Group Art Unit: 3732

Examiner: Kim, John

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Examiner:

**Introductory Comments**

The present paper is being submitted in response to the Office Action mailed February 23, 2006.

**Listing of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.